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Land Sketches

Legal Sketches.

The bar must occasionally allow that the know how to make the best of a bargain, as well as the sharpest. A fat suit in a man's power rather sluggishly through the court. Many a solicitor is apt to keep a Chancery case on its legs through two or three generations of litigants, when in fact the original parties to the suit have died and become forgotten. The following illustration is a bad:

An attorney on the marriage of his client gave him \$5,000, and handed him over a common Chancery suit with some common actions. About two years after, the attorney asked his father for more business.

"Why I gave you that capital chancery suit, and then you have got a great many new clients; what more do you want?"

"Yes sir," replied the son; "but I have wound up that suit, and given my clients a great satisfaction."

"What, you imprudent fool!" rejoined the father indignantly, "that suit was in my family twenty five years, and would have continued as many years longer, if I had kept it. I shall not encourage such a folly."

A Catholic prelate once pertinently asked a legal gentleman whether he had a supporting doubtless that his "quidam," in cases, his tenures, and his tricks, had pugged it out of reality. Notwithstanding the doubt, I think we may safely admit that the lawyer had a soul. In this world is usually in his fee. And the following story told by Foote, will determine pretty accurately where its abode is in the next.

A gentleman in the country who had just buried a relative, an attorney, complained to Foote of the great expense of a country funeral.

"Why, do you bury attorneys here?" gravely asked Foote.

exclaimed the other.
Why, how do you get

"Why, why, how do you manage it?"
"I lay, with out a patient happens to,"
"We lay with out in a room over night by him-
self, lock the door, throw open the shutters, and
in the morning he is entirely off."
"Indeed," said the gentleman amazed—
"And what becomes of him?"
"Why, that we cannot exactly tell,
being acquainted with supernatural cases."
All that we know of the matter is, that there
is a strong smell of *crimstone* in the room
the next morning."

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.—We abstract
from the Report of the Post Master General
as follows:

The receipts for the year ending July,
1892, were \$7,950,814, which includes \$3,
024,972 of balance on hand in July last.
The expenditures were, for all services, \$7,
007,549. The excess of expenditures of
kinds over revenue, for the year 1892, exclu-
sive of balance existing on July 1st, 1895
and amount drawn from Treasury, was \$3,
922,980 20.

The letters paid and unpaid during the
fiscal year, were very large. Unpaid
domestic, 32,672,765; paid in money, 19,448,
510; by stamps, 31,897,750; free letter
3,148,000; drop letters, 973,134, conveyed
by European steamers, 4,921,547; number
conveyed to Havana, 49,392; number con-
veyed to California, 1,495,637; of dead let-
ters unpaid, 2,636,000. Total, 95,790,232.
No less than 87,710,490 newspapers were
through the mail; 7,073,548 newspapers
paid for, and 80,636,942 newspapers
papers. Between 4 and 5,000,000 of letters
were conveyed by the following lines:—
Cunard, 2,753,296; Collins, 963,872;—

42,953 newspapers;

How to keep PORK.—Buy two glasses all every day of 5 cents each, amounting one year to \$30; drink the liquids, say after each meal, continuing up till the end of the year, to \$54.75; keep a big dog, who will consume in a year at least \$15 worth provisions, and eat \$6 more. Altogether, this amounts to the snug little sum of \$115.25—sufficient to by six barrels of flour, or hundred bushels of coal, one barrel of one sack of coffee, a good coat, a respectable dress, besides a frock for the baby, and half a dozen pairs of shoes—more or less. Just think of it.

ANCIENT CONSCIENCE.—The first men in the world, were regarded as a pig man and a grazer; and if any man but the second of these three proved himself a deer, he will please remember that as soon as he was, he quit our profession and began to build a house.

HUMAN INEQUITY.—In the formation of a single locomotive engine, there are fewer than 5,416 pieces to be put together, and there require to be as many delicate tools as the works of a watch.—Every watch consists of at least 252 pieces, weighing probably 215 pounds, distributable among 40 trades, to say nothing of the tool makers for all these.

An elderly man in Wheeling (Pa.) married, for the first time fifteen years and his last night, "I secured the editor of the Times that he never had received a word from either."

DANGER OF SLEEPING IN CATCHES.—The Cincinnati Commercial is responsible for the following rather long story: "On Sunday, in one of our churches, an old gentleman, a worthy member of the Christian persuasion, fell asleep and began dreaming. He was on a humping cushion. All at once he started up, saying, 'There's somebody here followed out.' 'Fetch him down,' he shouted out, 'wheedeeds with you barrel; hurrah for me!' and he rose up from his seat and cheered lustily. 'He woke himself by his hallooing, and immediately seized his hat and walked out blushing like a red pepper.'" In fact, however,

In B. F. TART.—It appears that among the flags surrounding the column of Washington, which stands in front of the White House, was the one which was captured at Washington, when the Federal capital was sacked in the year of 1813.

A communication was read at a meeting of the managers of the American Bible Society, in New York, on Thursday, last (March 9), at Jenkins Hall, Secretary John H. Brown, asking bibles for five hundred eight-hundred and eight hundred